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profits from the sale of tickets, after the cost of the exposition and the convention are defrayed, will be devoted to establishing nutritional clinics for the benefit of undernourished children.

The Health Institute from November 8-11 will present to visitors an opportunity to see the operations of established methods applied to various phases of public health work. About forty demonstrations have been planned.

Following the week of the institute and the observance of Health Sunday, will come the opening of the scientific sessions, the meetings of the American Public Health Association in celebration of its semi-centennial. The sessions will begin on November 14 and the headquarters will be at the Hotel Astor. The scope of the meetings is indicated by their division into the following: General Sessions, Public Health Administration, Child Hygiene, Public Health Publicity and Education, Laboratory Section, Vital Statistics Section, Industrial Hygiene Section, and Food and Drug Section.

#### SCIENTIFIC ITEMS

WE record with regret the death of J. W. Richards, professor of metallurgy at Lehigh University; and of Dr. Arno Behr, the American industrial chemist; of G. W. Walker, the English seismologist; and of Henry Beaunis, known for his work on physiological psychology and hypnotism at Nancy and later at Paris.

DR. C. S. SHERRINGTON, professor of physiology at Oxford University and president of the Royal Society, has been elected president of the British Association for the meeting to be held at Hull in 1922. It is expected that the meeting of 1923 will be at Liverpool and the meeting of 1924 at Toronto.

THE University of Edinburgh has conferred the degree of doctor of laws on Dr. Irving Langmuir, of the research laboratory of the General Electric Company, Schenectady, who at the meeting of the British Association in that city opened the discussion on "The Structure of Molecules."

DR. ALEXIS CARREL, of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research has been elected a national associate of the French Academy of Medicine, of whom there are only twenty.

THE 1921 volume of the Summarized Proceedings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the publication of which has been delayed owing to the printers' strike, will soon be issued from the office of the permanent secretary of the association. The volume contains the old and the new constitution, the lists of officers, and references to *Science* for the reports of the Pacific Coast meeting (summer of 1915), the Columbus meeting (1916), the New York meeting (1917), the Pittsburgh meeting (1918), the Baltimore meeting (1919), the St. Louis meeting (1920), and the Chicago meeting (1921). It also contains the complete list of members of the association, corrected to June 15, 1921. Members who have already ordered the volume will be sent copies as soon as the book is published; those who have not ordered it may still do so, the price being two dollars, payable when the order is placed. The price to others is two dollars and fifty cents. The new list constitutes a directory containing the names, degrees, positions, addresses, etc., of about 12,000 scientific workers and others interested in scientific progress. It has been prepared from data obtained through special information blanks sent to all members.